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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Confirmation No. 6680

Eric PEROUSE : Attorney Docket No. 2006 1244A

Serial No. 10/588,489 : Group Art Unit 3731

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated February 26, 2009, a Petition for a three-month extension of time being submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or to credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-0975, with the EXCEPTION of deficiencies in fees for multiple dependent claims in new applications.